

**REMARKS**

**I. Status of the Claims**

Claims 1-8, 10-12, and 30-41 are pending. Claims 1-8, 10-12 and 30-41 are subject to a restriction requirement.

Applicant respectfully requests examination of the claims.

**II. The Restriction Requirement is Improper**

Applicant respectfully traverses the restriction requirement of claims 1-8, 10-12 and 30-41. In particular, the Examiner is requiring that Applicant elect one of the following four inventions:

Group I: Claims 1-6, 8, 10-12 and 30 directed to iron chelator delivery systems with an antibody for targeting cardiac protein(s);

Group II: Claims 7 and 36-38 directed to iron chelator delivery systems with cationic or anionic charge groups;

Group III: Claims 31-35 directed to iron chelator delivery systems with a liver cell receptor targeting agent; and

Group IV: Claims 39-41 directed to methods of preventing iron overload with an iron chelator delivery system.

However, because claims 1-8, 10-12 and 30-41 can be examined together without serious burden on the Examiner, the restriction requirement should be withdrawn. Claims 1-8, 10-12 and 30-41 are related in that each of the claims, either directly or through dependency, recites the language "an iron chelator delivery system comprising an iron chelator and a lipid carrier." Such a relationship allows for examination of these claims together without resulting in any undue burden on the Examiner. Accordingly, the restriction requirement is improper and should be withdrawn.

**III. Applicant Elects Group III for Examination**

Notwithstanding the above traversal of the restriction requirement, Applicant hereby elects Group III (claims 31-35) for examination.

**IV. Conclusion**

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests examination of the claims.

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